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RUSH HOMECOMING PLANS

HOOSIERS ESTABLISH NEW CHAPTER

ELECT JOHN WOLF, '15 CHAPTER PRESIDENT AT INDIANAPOLIS

The Central Indiana chapter of the Alumni Association was formed March 30 at a dinner-meeting in the swanky Indianapolis Athletic Club.

John B. Wolf, '11-'15, was elected president; Joseph M. Howard, '15-'18, vice-president, and Stephen J. Mellady, '07-'13, secretary-treasurer, all of Indianapolis.

Guests from St. Joseph's at the meeting were the Very Rev. Aloys Dirksen, '20, college president; the Rev. Edward Roof, '23, athletic director; Joe Dienhart, head coach, and Edward Fischer, '34, alumni editor.

Other Alumni present were George A. Smith, '03, Maurice Peele, '95-'98, the Rev. George Dunn, '13-'18, Joseph A. Naughton, '98-'02, John Guedelhoefer, '10-'13, Paul Carlos, '00-'03, Right Rev. Msgr. Maurice O'Connor, '01-'05, Leo Welch, '07-'11, Edward Burns, '24-'27, Robert J. Cunningham, '17-'19, Hugh J. O'Connell, '13-'14, Conrad Grathwohl, '08-'12, all of Indianapolis.

Bernard Bradley, '10-'11, Anderson; Mark Kelly, '25-'31, Crawfordsville; Charles Scheidler, '28-'34, Greensburg; Richard T. Parlon, '26-'28, New Richmond; Paul Angus McLeod, '11-'14, New Castle; James P. Whitcomb, '10-'12, and James Soller, '33-'35, Sherberville.

COOK COUNTY CHAPTER GATHERS AT SIEBEN'S

A social and brief business meeting of the Cook County Chapter was held Thursday night, April 20, at Sieben's Parlors, Chicago, with 18 members present.

The Rev. Clarence Kroeckel, C.P.P.S., '18-'23, and the Rev. Clement Falter, C.P.P.S., were guests.

Provincial and College President Sail for Europe, April 29

BON VOYAGE!



V. Rev. Joseph Marling, C.P.P.S.



V. Rev. Aloys Dirksen, C.P.P.S.

Two of the College's most prominent Alumni, the Very Rev. Joseph Marling, C.P.P.S., Ph.D., '23, and the Very Rev. Aloys Dirksen, C.P.P.S., S.T.D., '20, are to sail for Europe at noon Saturday, April 29, on the Conte di Savoia.

The Provincial of the Society of the Precious Blood and the President of St. Joseph's College have been summoned to Rome to consult with the new Moderator General of the Society about the condition of the German, Spanish and Italian Provinces in view of unsettled times in Europe.

They expect to return early in June.

"I regret exceedingly that circumstances have arisen to compel my absence from the College on Alumni Day," Father Dirksen said. "I had looked forward to the event with keen anticipation."

"It would have been a genuine happiness to welcome old St. Joe men back to the College as I have found all my contacts with the Alumni, especially at the Chapter meetings, thoroughly enjoyable and delightful."

"May I now in the name of the Faculty of St. Joseph's welcome home all of St. Joseph's loyal sons. May Alumni Day be a most happy one."

COLLEGE MAKES PLANS FOR FIRST FIELD MASS

The first Field Mass in the history of St. Joseph's will be held here Sunday, May 14, for Alumni and other Catholics of the Lafayette and Logansport deaneries.

The sermon will be delivered by the Rev. Henry A. Lucks, C.P.P.S., Ph.D., '21, Dean of Studies. Officiating will be the Very Rev. Michael Aichinger, of Logansport, celebrant; the Rev. Frederick Fehrenbacher, '22, vice-president of the College, deacon; and the Rev. William Hordeman, '00, of Frankfort, subdeacon. The College Choir will sing the Mass.

FR. SHEERAN URGES ALUMNI TO COOPERATE

OLD GRADS MAY SET NEW RECORD FOR ATTENDANCE

Feverish, last-minute arrangements are being rushed through in Alumni Chapters and at College for what promises to be a history-making Homecoming, May 7 and 8.

"From all indications a new high attendance number will be set," said the Rev. Joseph Sheeran, C.P.P.S., '31, guest master. "And so I hope that every Alumnus who intends to return will drop me a penny post card saying that he will be here. That is the only way I can get an idea of what arrangements to make for food and lodging."

Sunday, May 7, will be registration day. Every former student who returns to the campus is asked to register in the Alumni Office at the south end of the first floor of the Main Building.

Prof. Tonner will present his traditional band concert Sunday afternoon. By popular demand, the C.L.S. will re-stage on Sunday night the uproarious Broadway hit "Nut Farm," which it gave February 21.

A Mass will be said Monday morning for departed Alumni.

Various chapters will play each other softball. The Rev. Edward Roof, C.P.P.S., athletic director, is making every effort to schedule a varsity home game for that day.

The annual Alumni Association banquet will start at noon in the College dining hall. This will be followed by a business meeting and an election of Association officers.

Present officers of the Association are: President, the Rev. Ildephonse Rapp, C.P.P.S., '00; vice-presidents, Joe Gibson, '31, of Kokomo, and the Rev. Ferd Evans, '26-'28, Cincinnati; secretary-treasurer, J. Henry Hipskind, '11, Fort Wayne; historian, the Rev. Sylvester Lev, C.P.P.S., '18.

After June, Tink Forsee, '34, will be Dr. Guy Forsee. He is going down the home stretch in his medical studies at the University of Louisville.

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PLEASE CONTACT US

The Louisville Chapter of the Alumni Association held a record-breaking meeting Monday night, March 27.

President Jim Heckman, '34, said:

"I did not send out a single card about the meeting. I didn't telephone a single member. CONTACT deserves all the credit. The story about the forthcoming meeting appeared in the publication and — Presto! We had the biggest attendance ever."

We hope all chapters will send us announcements of their next meetings as soon as possible so that we can run them in CONTACT. Give details as to when, where and why the meeting is being called. We will even send notices of it to your local newspapers. Appoint a dependable man in your chapter to be CONTACT'S correspondent.

Right after the meeting send complete details of both social and business sessions. Don't forget, this publication will be just as newsworthy as you make it.

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The Editor Takes a Wife

The wedding of Miss Mary Ewaniec, of South Bend, and Edward Fischer, '34, took place in the Log Chapel at Notre Dame, Easter Monday morning with the Very Rev. Aloys Dirksen, C.P.P.S., '20, performing the ceremony. Other alumni present were the Rev. Sylvester Ley, C.P.P.S., '18, and the Rev. Clarence Kroeckel, C.P.P.S., '23. The couple resides at 205 Webster Street, Rensselaer. Alumni welcome.

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Bank President in Woodstock

Herbert T. Cooney, '01-'02, president of the State Bank of Woodstock, Woodstock, Ill., was here April 19 for the Commerce Club banquet. Since he left St. Joe he has been connected with the State Bank of Woodstock. His son, James, a junior at St. Joe majoring in Economics, is president of the Commerce Club.

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Rolls Like Ol' Man River

On the first page of the Chicago Tribune's sport section Tuesday morning April 18 appeared the following story about John Klen, '18-'24:

Cleveland, O., April 17 — Mediocre opening games cost Whiting, Ind., and Chicago entrants higher berths in the American Bowling Tournament today.

John Klen, 35-year-old city clerk of Whiting, Ind., started his single series with 189, due to two splits. He came back with 245 and then hit seven consecutive strikes to score 253 for 687 total high series of the day.

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DO YOU REMEMBER?

An alumnus who studied at St. Joe from '10 till '14 flipped back a few pages of the Book of Time and asked:

Do you remember "Come in! No! Get out!" "Put it down! Put it down!" and "Where will it end?"

Do you recall the outlying "station" between the Faculty Building and Main Building; the grandstand "sit-down strike" that fizzled, and the time the prefect and students "marched to the sea?" Surely you haven't forgotten when you read Gym Junk and Diamond Dust; when the refectory apple-sauce held a royal flush and when varsity teams were called "Reps." Remember when we took our hash and buns like men; when town days were scarce and when professors didn't play golf?

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Describes War in China

Horrors of the war in China were described by Father William, C.P., in a letter to his former classmate, Ed Ernst, '10-'13, president of the Fort Wayne Alumni Chapter.

Father William is remembered on the St. Joe campus as Lawrence Westhoven, '11-'13. He writes:

"Here in the interior, (Chihkiang, Hunan, China) we have been bombed twice by Jap planes. Both raids occurred in November — 18 bombers each trip. I'm telling you an air raid is a thriller! It was the airport the 'dwarfs' were after. And they hit it, too. Jap troops have entered Hunan Province in the northeast corner. It is extremely doubtful whether they will ever cross over and enter this mountainous section of the Province. But their air force will give us plenty to think about.

"During November I opened an emergency hospital and the first patients were the air raid victims. What ghastly shrapnel wounds they had! And then came the refugees — 110,000 of them to this district. Right now (January 10, 1939) I am busy putting up sheds to house a quota of them."

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Gets Around in Aurora

Wilfrid J. (Butch) Ullrich, '21-'25, of Aurora, Ind., has four sons he hopes to send to St. Joe. He is pharmacist and manager of Ullrich's Drug Store. After leaving St. Joe, Butch played some football at Notre Dame and was graduated from that University with a Ph.C. in 1929. He is active in Aurora. Right now he is holding his third term as president of the Aurora Commercial Club and is a trustee at St. Mary's Church. He did some Scout work and held four or five offices in the Knights of Columbus. He is at present District Grand Knight. During his spare time he covers three counties for United Press and is Aurora correspondent for the Cincinnati Enquirer.

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Pete Sets the Pace

First subscriber to CONTACT was Peter Heimes, '14-'15, college infirmary. The Rev. Cyril Knue, C.P.P.S., M.A., '18, procurator at St. Charles Seminary, Carthagena, O., was second. The Rev. Joseph H. Rohling, C.P.P.S., S.T.D., '23, vice-rector at St. Charles Seminary, was right up near the top of the list again. He was first to answer his questionnaire; he was third to send his subscription.

THE ROUNDUP

By

Coach Joe Dienhart

Our baseball team won its first two games and then dropped one to Butler 11-9.

The fellows defeated Indiana State 7-5 and Eastern Illinois 4-3. Winning pitchers were Joe Leugers, of Maria Stein, O., and Maurie Gutgsell, of Jasper, Ind. It was the first time either kid had pitched in a college ball game. Dick Cody, the Louisville Slugger, has gotten three hits out of four times at bat each game. He has a home run and a couple of triples to his credit.

We'll get another crack at Butler May 4 at Indianapolis. And after that comes Xavier University, May 10, at Cincinnati; Indiana State, May 13, here; Wabash, May 18, at Crawfordsville; Manchester, May 22, at North Manchester; Ball State, May 25, here.

When kick-off time comes around again we are going to introduce something new in football, the "pivot huddle."

We are trying it out in spring practice and we find it snaps-up the game; makes the quarterback an absolute dictator; eliminates the chance of linemen not hearing signals; decreases effort and pleases the spectators with its grace and rhythm.

While the St. Joe quarterback calls signals, his linemen will stand with their backs to their opponents. From this position they will be able to watch the lips of the quarterback and so be more certain of hearing the signals correctly. And in this position a quarterback cannot be "heckled" by ten other players as he frequently is in the standard huddle system. There is no walking to the huddle and walking from it; and so time and effort are saved.

When the quarterback calls his final signal, linemen pivot in unity until they face their opponents and then they crouch. The backfield men step backward and space their positions according to the formations called. This rhythmic motion has a certain amount of aesthetic beauty in it that pleases the spectators. The entire team pauses momentarily and then the ball is snapped.

Here are the teams we will try it on next fall:

St. Norbert's College, of West DePere, Wis.	Sept. 24 Here
Valparaiso University	Sept. 30 Here
Ball State Teachers' College	Oct. 7 There
University of Louisville	Oct. 20 There
Central Normal College	Oct. 28 Here
Xavier University, of Cincinnati, Nov. 5	Here

Notice that St. Norbert's and Xavier games are on Sundays. Quite a few of you Alumni should be able to get over here for those.

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Gibson Works for the State

Joe Gibson, '26-'31, an alumnus who never misses a Homecoming Day, is auditor of rates and tariffs in the Motor Vehicle Department of the Public Service Commission of Indiana. His home is still in Kokomo. His business headquarters are in Indianapolis.

ON THE CAMPUS

The Candy Store, for many years a fixture at the north end of the Faculty Building basement, has a rival now. The Coffee Shop has been opened at the south end of the Faculty basement. Remember when Brother Dave, '94-'95, used to cut hair and discuss the Cincinnati Reds? And remember how you wouldn't dare get a haircut if the Reds lost a double-header? Well, he has turned sissy. Now, as proprietor of the Coffee Shop, he mixes chocolate malteds and talks about cocoa and doughnuts.

St. Joseph College students will be on the air from 5:00 to 5:30 p.m. Saturday, May 20, over WIRE, an affiliated NBC station, at Indianapolis. So buy a couple of new tubes for the old radio and tune in.

A Drexel Hall Landscape Contest is being sponsored by the Very Rev. Aloys Dirksen, college president. Here is how it started: The fellows who live in Drexel Hall, formerly the Old Indian School, decided to make their side of the road equal in beauty to the Main Campus. So they took off their shirts and went to work day after day on the rugged acres surrounding Drexel. Father Dirksen was impressed by their good will; so he offered three cash awards for the best ideas for landscaping Drexel.

As CONTACT goes to press, last-minute plans are being made for the blending of youth, beauty and music at the Monogram Formal April 29 in the Rensselaer Armory. A list of Alumni who attend the dance will be printed in the next issue.

Dr. W. J. Brown, '33-'34 Opens Office in Minster

Dr. William J. Brown, '33-'34, has opened an optometry office on Fourth Street in Minster, O. After leaving St. Joe he attended Ohio State University and the Northern Illinois College of Optometry in Chicago. After graduation he worked for some time in Macdonald Optical offices. Then he went to the west coast, took a post-graduate course and did some research work under Drs. Jacques and Crow in cooperation with the Keystone View Company, Meadville, Pa. Last January 25 he opened his offices in Minster.

AWAITS ALUMNI



Rev. Ildephonse Rapp, C.P.P.S.
Back on the campus and ready to greet Alumni on May 7 and 8 is the Rev. Ildephonse Rapp, C.P.P.S., '93-'00. Father Rapp is president of the Alumni Association.

Attorney in Chicago

Joseph Gordon Hagstrom, '19-'24, is an attorney in the Chicago firm of Baker, Holder and Hagstrom.

WHY DO OLD GRADS ALWAYS WIN?



Soft ball games are gaining in popularity at St. Joe on Alumni Day. Here is one from last year. Alumni Chapters play each other and students play the winner. Why it is that the grads can score fewer runs than the students and still be written down in the books as victorious is a mystery to the young men about the campus.

Ohio Alumni Start Chapter At Delphos

Otto J. Birkmeier, '06-'09, Named Unit's President At Organization Meeting

The Delphos, O., Chapter held a dinner and reorganization meeting Thursday night, April 20, at the Beckman Hotel.

Otto J. Birkmeier, '06-'09, toastmaster and chairman of the meeting, was elected president, with vice-president, Richard C. Mueller, '29-'31; secretary, Al Halker, '26-'29, Lima; treasurer, R. H. Stallkamp, '06-'08; executive board, the Rev. Bertrand Shenk, '28-'31, of Toledo; O. H. Stallkamp, '07-'09, and Louis W. Heckman, '06-'08, of Ottoville. Dr. J. C. Nagelsen, '05-'10, of Lima, was named CONTACT correspondent.

Other Alumni present were: Richard Trame, '38, and John A. Metzner, '06-'10, of Delphos; Paul Langan, '37-'38, of Lima; Leo J. Wildenhaus, '09-'10, of Fort Jennings; the Rev. Joseph Shenk, '26-'28, of Toledo; the Rev. Sylvester Schmelzer, '23-'25, of Tiffin; W. J. Smith, '15-'19, of Kalida and Robert V. Kaple, '38, of Ottawa.

Principal speaker was the Very Rev. Aloys Dirksen, C.P.P.S., '20, president of St. Joseph's. Guests were the Rev. J. L. Sassen, pastor of St. John's, Delphos, and Lou M. Nagelsen, '03-'09, and J. Henry Hipskind, '05-'11, representatives of the Fort Wayne chapter.

HERE AND THERE

They're in the Navy now! Ernie Bean, '34, and Nicholas (Gumshoes) Lauber, '35, have ceased to be land lubbers. Ernie is said to have earned the rating of Master Diver.

Rumor has it that Mike O'Connor, '34, is married and lives somewhere in the oil fields of Texas.

William Pike, '29, and Francis (Panky) Elder, '34, are employed at Frankfort Distilleries, in Louisville.

Cletus (Horse) Martin, '31, is foreman at Mengel's Body Company, Louisville.

The Rev. Wilfrid Popham, O.S.B., '31, is teaching Math at Marmion High School, Aurora, Ill.

The pride of Paducah, Paul (How Y'all) and Louie (Sho! Sho!) Roof, both of '35, are seein' to it that the folks in their neck o' the woods don't starve. Away down thar they are runnin' Roof's Grocery.

Proprietor of Arnold's Confectionery in Caldwell, O., is William J. Arnold, '24-'25.

Since Graduation Day in 1924, Eugene C. Clemens received a B.S. in Ceramics in 1929 and an M.S. in Ceramic Engineering in 1931 at the University of Illinois. He is secretary and ceramic engineer at the Cannelton Sewer Pipe Company, Cannelton, Ind.

Leo Hierholzer, '04-'05, of Celina, O., travels for the Marsh Wall Products Company.

Since his ordination at St. Charles Seminary in 1936, the Rev. Walter F. Junk, C.P.P.S., '25-'30, has been a curate in three states. He was at St. Peter Claver, Brooklyn, N. Y., Sacred Heart, Sedalia, Mo., and is now stationed at Sts. Peter and Paul Parish, Ottawa, O.

President and treasurer of the Woodmar Lumber Company in Hammond is Albert J. Glueckert, '10-'13. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus, Rotary Club, Chamber of Commerce and is the father of three boys and a girl.

C.P.P.S Class Scattered Far Over Country

Members of the class of '32 who were ordained priests of the Society of the Precious Blood last May 1 at St. Charles Seminary, Carthagena, O., are widely scattered.

The Rev. Vincent Parr is assistant at St. Joseph's Church, Hanover, Pa. Father Robert Stukemborg is in Detroit assisting at St. Anthony's parish.

The Rev. Alexander Leiker was assistant in St. Anthony's at Casper, Wyo., for five months. Then he was transferred to St. Anthony's in Detroit where he is choir-master and organist.

Father Thomas Siebeneck's first appointment was to assist at Kneipp Sanitarium, Rome City, Ind. Now he is at St. Joseph's Church, Huntington, W. Va.

The Rev. John Byrne is assistant with the Rev. Ambrose Newton, '26, at St. Mark's in Cincinnati. Father Rupert Landoll, '13, is pastor at St. Mark's.

Father Isidore McCarthy is assistant at St. Anthony's, Casper, Wyo.

The Rev. Raphael Gross is in Gettysburg, Pa., assisting at St. Francis Xavier. Father John Lefko is assistant at St. John's, Whiting.

The Rev. Joseph Otte was assistant at St. Joan of Arc, Hershey, Pa. Now he is assistant at St. Henry, O. He teaches a course in Business Administration to Theology IV at St. Charles, Carthagena.

After assisting at St. Aloysius, Littlestown, Pa., the Rev. Clarence Schuerman was transferred to St. Joan of Arc at Hershey, Pa.

Since ordination Father Norman Koller has been assistant at St. Francis, Harrisburg, Pa., Father Urban Iffert at St. Thomas, Memphis, Tenn., and Rev. Walter Roth, honorary alumnus, assistant at St. John's, Glandorf, O.

The Rev. Vincent Mallifiske has been associate editor of the Messenger of the Precious Blood, at Carthagena, since ordination.

Student of '07-'09 Rector at Josephinum

The Rt. Rev. Msgr. Henry J. Grimmelsman, S.T.D., '07-'09, is rector of Josephinum College, Worthington, O. After leaving St. Joseph's he attended St. Mary's Seminary, Norwood, O., Canisianum, at Innsbruck, Austria, and Catholic University, at Washington, D. C.

TWO LATEST ALUMNI PRIESTS



Rev. William Koehl



Rev. Urban Reichlin

The first thing the Rev. Urban Reichlin and the Rev. William Koehl did after ordinations was to return to the Alma Mater for a visit. Father Reichlin, '27-'33, of Loraine, O., and Father Koehl, '31-'32, of East Cleveland, were ordained March 25 at Our Lady of the Lake Seminary, Cleveland.

Courtesy Cleveland Universe Bulletin

RECENT GRAD



Richard J. Trame

One of the youngest St. Joe alumni is Dick Trame, '33-'38, instructor and coach at St. John's High School, Delphos, O. He was a member of the first class to receive degrees here and was the first student to earn an A.B. in St. Joseph's Department of English.

Maloneys Cover Kentucky Like Morning Dew

The three Maloneys, Jim, Charley and Dave, are scattered all over Kentucky. Father James, '31, is assistant at St. Elizabeth's, in Louisville; Father Charles, '32, is chaplain at St. Thomas Orphanage, Anchorage; and Dave is manager of the Maloney-Davidson branch office in Guthrie, Ky.

Leon (Peanuts) Ritter, '33, is an instructor at the Louisville Recreation Center.

College Honors Father Condon's Silver Jubilee

With a Solemn High Mass, a banquet and a program of entertainment, the silver jubilee of the Rev. Bernard Condon, C.P.P.S., '08, was celebrated April 26 at the College.

At the Mass, the Jubilarian was assisted by the Revs. Evaristus Olberding, C.P.P.S., '08, deacon; Charles Condon, C.P.P.S., '11, subdeacon, and John Schaeffer, '21, master of ceremonies. The sermon was delivered by the Very Rev. Othmar F. Knapke, Ph.D., '06, Procurator General of C.P.P.S., Rome, Italy.

TOPS IN ORATORY



Rev. Othmar Missler, C.P.P.S.

With the Conroy Oratory Contest coming up on May 18, Alumni naturally recall winners of years gone by.

The Rev. Othmar Missler, C.P.P.S., won the contest in 1929 with an oration entitled, "America's Future." He had the gold medal melted into his chalice when ordained in 1937.

Father Missler was stationed at St. Augustine's Church, Minster, O., for a year. Last fall he returned to St. Joe to become Superior of Community Students and head of the Department of Religion.

The Conroy Oratory Contest, held every Ascension Thursday, is a tradition at St. Joe. Awards are donated by the Rt. Rev. Thomas M. Conroy, '96, of Fort Wayne.

Martin Bustetter, '12-'14, is a Western Union telegrapher in Sidney, O.